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# AD HOC PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE MEETING August 26, 2014 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall Annex

TOWN OF ELLINGION TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

## Minutes

Members Present:

Wilson Flynn, J. Wiley Dumas, David Grim, Alan Lewandosky,

James Stemmerman, John Takach. Bruce Warkentin

Members Absent:

Jeffrey Martin, Michael Varney,

# I. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairman Wiley Dumas called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M. Members Recited the Pledge of Alligiance. Andrew McCoy joined the meeting and has presented his application to join the committee to the Board of Selectmen.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 22, 2014
MOVED (STEMMERMAN), SECONDED (LEWANDOSKY) AND PASSED
UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED

#### III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Members discussed means of getting information out to the public, both through the Patriotic Committee's website, and the official Town website. General consensus was that a lack of interest in finding people to fill the various vacancies existed on the part of the Town itself, and the town should have a better means of communicating these vacancies, and other issues, to the public. Mr. Dumas stated that he would attend the next meeting of the Board of Selectmen on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> and present this to the Board, and inform all members of the discussion in a follow-up e-mail.
- b. Members noted and discussed that no official action on the part of the Board of Selectmen has taken place regarding the placement a bench at Crystal Lake Veterans' Memorial Park in memory of Tom Minor's Service to his country.
- c. Chairman Flynn stated that he would like members to assist at the Patriotic Committee's stand at the Ellington Farmers' Market on Saturday, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> for an hour or so. Subsequent dates for the Patriotic Committee's presence at the Farmers' Market will be the last 3 Saturdays of October. Chairman Flynn again stressed the importance of a visible presence to the public. Mr. McCoy was invited to join the committee after meeting members at the July 4<sup>th</sup> Farmer's Market.
- d. Field of Flags Committee will table this initiative for this time. The plot has been made available for an indefinite period.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS:

All members noted concern that an advisor for the Youth Member had to undergo a Criminal Background check per the guidelines as set forth by the Board of Selectmen, and were curious as to whether other groups that worked with youth had to undergo the same scrutiny.

The Committee nominated John Takach and Wilson Flynn to be the Youth Associate Council Advisors

MOVED (DUMAS), SECONDED (STEMMERMAN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY THAT JOHN TAKACH AND WILSON FLYNN TO BE NOMINATED TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AS THE AD HOC PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE'S YOUTH ASSOCIATE COUNCIL ADVISORS

V. ADJOURNMENT MOVED (STEMMERMAN), SECONDED (DUMAS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:30 P.M.

Submitted by: ~

David J. A. Grim, Secretary